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- Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 2000-163465, published June 16, 2000.
- Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. H10-513623, published
 December 22, 1998.
- Shigeo Morimoto, "Q&A for Success in Electronic Commerce "5" Tradeoffs in Electronic Settlement," Nikkei Multimedia, Japan, Nikkei Business Publications, Inc., September 15, 1998, No. 39, pages 204-208.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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Claims 1 through 8

Cited Literature 1 discloses a terminal device, such as a portable telephone, equipped with a card reader unit that reads specific data that is stored in a data memory card and a communications unit that communicates with a control center, and discloses the performance of a settlement wherein a judgment is made as to whether or not the data memory card can be used. Cited Literature 2 discloses a system for remote electronic transactions comprising a communications network, such as a telephone network, wherein the settlement of remote electronic transactions is performed through the use of a user terminal that has an interface for exchanging data with an electronic settlement medium, and where the terminal of the user may be not only a normal telephone, but a portable telephone. Furthermore, Cited Literature 3 discloses the provision of a service wherein ordering/settlement can be performed by member number alone, even if the user does not go to the trouble of inputting the address or the user name, because the basic profile, such as the address and user name, is known in advance by the membership-type electronic settlement service.

List of Cited Literature

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